

Friday Morning, Jan. 21, 1870.

Shipping Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED

Jan 20—Star of California, 14, Lyons, San Francisco
 Slip Ocean Queen, Wyer, San Juan
 CLEARED.
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 Brig Robert Cowan, Weeks, Honolulu

Auction Sales To-day.

J. P. DAVIES & Co., Wharf street.—Will sell at 11 o'clock, at salesroom, Ale & Porter, Spices, Raisins, Currants, Indiarubber and other Goods, Cigars, &c.

FROM THE MAINLAND.—The steamer En-

terprise, Captain Pamphlet, returned from New Westminster shortly after 4 p.m. yesterday, bringing a few passengers and a local mail and express. The Cariboo express did not reach New Westminster in time to connect with the Enterprise, having been delayed by ice in the river below Yale, so that we are without any later news from the interior. In all probability the express would reach New Westminster yesterday or to-day, and may be expected to arrive by the steamer Emma, now at Burrard Inlet. On her way up, on Wednesday, the Enterprise met some floating ice in the river, but it was not of sufficient body to present any serious obstruction to navigation. At New Westminster the snow had fallen to a depth of about three inches, and Mr. Lewis' slight was running between the city and Burrard Inlet. The weather had been very cold during Sunday and Monday, but a thaw set in on Wednesday. A number of ratepayers having presented a requisition to the President of the Municipal Council, asking him to call a public meeting in order that Messrs Holbrook and Robson might have an opportunity of stating their views on the question of Confederation, the meeting was held at the Hyack Hall on Wednesday evening, W. J. Armstrong, Esq. J. P. in the Chair. The meeting was very largely attended. A letter from Mr. Holbrook, declining to attend, on the ground that his views were already known to the public, was read. Mr. Robson having addressed the meeting, a resolution was unanimously adopted, expressing entire confidence in him as the representative of the District. Mr. Barnard, being loudly called for, addressed the meeting. The young folks have been enjoying themselves on the ice on Burrard Lake since the cold weather set in.

BANK OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA.—A

general meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of British North America was held at the London Tavern, under the presidency of Mr. A. H. Phillips, who announced that the Queen's warrant, extending the privileges of the charter until the 1st June, 1881, had been received. He was happy to say that the confidence which was felt in the bank in the Dominion of Canada was never greater than at the present moment. The appointment of general manager vacant by the resignation of Mr. Paton, who had been in the service of the company since the year 1842, would be shortly conferred on Mr. McNab, the former secretary of this company, who had lately travelled through Canada, and had also visited New York, California, Vancouver Island, Brantford and other places. The directors believe that Mr. McNab would emulate the valuable services rendered by his predecessor, and that probably more stringent regulations under the new regime would reduce the average of their bad debts and thus secure increased dividends. The post of secretary had been conferred on Mr. Bradford, who had for a long time been with the bank and had for eleven months previous to his appointment filled the duties of the office. A solid and substantial supersession had been granted to Mr. Paton, in recognition of his services during the lengthened period he had devoted himself to the interests of the bank. The report, an abstract of which has already appeared, was adopted *pro forma*, and the proceedings terminated with a cordial vote of thanks to the chairman and directors.

THEATRE ROYAL.—Last night Mrs Carter

took her complimentary benefit. We are glad the house was good on the occasion, for the pieces were well selected and the performance throughout excellent, in the first place, the farce of the 'Artful Dodge,' Mr. Alington distinguished himself as Demosthenes Dodge, Esq., and gained rapturous applause. Mrs. Phelps' appearance is kindly volunteered to sing in the interlude caused her to receive a perfect ovation, and she was encored three times, in the 'French Spy.' Mr. and Mrs. Carter both exerted themselves to entertain the happy spirit of the audience, and in the role allotted them acted exceeding well in characters requiring a combination of energy and taste. Nor must we omit to mention Mr. Barry's success as Tony Barvard, for much of the mirth and merriment of the audience in the after-piece were excited by the popular and excellent actor. This Evening—Benefit of Miss Nellie Cummings.

THE END OF 'LORD HUBBERT AINSLEY.'—The

brilliant career of the impostor Dick Radford, alias Lord Hubbert L. S. Ainsley, whose doings we have quoted from time to time from the New York papers, has at last ended. The New York Post says:—A day or two ago his wife arose from bed to find her diamonds, money, watch and her 'English Lord,' all gone. On the table lay a note saying that he had gone never to return. The wife returned to her mother on Staten Island, where she is said to be lying dangerously ill of brain fever. It should be added that this impostor succeeded in making his way among a certain kind of wealthy society, in spite of the warnings of the press; that he was able to persuade the daughter of a wealthy family to marry him, in spite of the fact that his pretensions had been exposed in public as well as in private; and that long after it was most clearly ascertained that he was an impostor, his invitations to dinners and other festivities were freely accepted by many persons who make pretensions to social standing.

Cause and Effect.

This being the last week of the season, we hope to see the Troupe receive that degree of public patronage to which they are fairly entitled.—*Evening News of Tuesday.*
 'This institution does not advertise in the Evening News—Theatre advertisement of Wednesday.

I [we] rather think it creditable to the

citizens of Victoria that they do not extend a liberal support to an institution [Theatre Royal] having so little claim to public patronage.—*Evening News of Thursday.*

H. M. S. Camelion (whose arrival at Hon-

olulu we noticed three weeks since) sailed for Tahiti on the 13th December.

BENEFIT OF MISS NELLIE CUMMINGS.—

Miss Nellie Cummings, a charming and versatile young actress connected with the Cariboo Company, will come before the public this evening for a benefit. Miss Cummings, it will be borne in mind, played here last year with the Bates' Troupe and gave such unqualified satisfaction by the admirable manner in which she performed all the characters assigned her, that at the time a complimentary testimonial was proposed, but owing to the business engagements of Mr. Bates suddenly recalling his company to Portland, the idea was not carried out. Since her return to this city, Miss Cummings has performed even better than when first here, and has rendered herself—of such possibilities—a greater public favorite than ever. We therefore predict for Miss Cummings an overwhelming house.

FRENCH HONORS AT A DISCOUNT IN PARIS.

A great deal of astonishment is expressed in Paris at the number of Spanish orders and decorations which have recently made their appearance on the breasts and in the button-holes of very obscure individuals. The secret has recently been explained by the curious fact that one of Queen Isabella's courtiers, who has more debts than he can pay, liquidates his bills by telling the merchants that if they will give him receipts in full he will procure them crosses of the various Spanish orders at the disposal of Queen Isabella the Second.

DECLINE OF TRADE IN SPAIN.—Official

returns of the principal imports into Spain show a material decrease this year. The value of the principal articles imported into that country in the first seven months of 1869 was 43,537,549 escudos (of 25 each), being 10,748,255 escudos less than in the corresponding period of 1868.

THE NEW STYLE OF 'BILLET DE MORT.'

Funeral style in Paris consists in not issuing the *billet de mort* till a month after the death, and then enclosing a photograph, the size of a postage stamp of the departed, with scriptural extracts suitable to his life, and with a request to pay for the repose of his soul.

BURNS' ANNIVERSARY.—The committee

of arrangements are hard at work preparing for the approaching Burns' Festival of the Caledonian Society. They are determined to make it the social affair of the season, and they will not fall behind their determination.

The London Lancet asserts that the Emperor

of Russia is suffering severely from hereditary hypochondriac disease. He often refuses to partake of food for days at a time, and indulges in other morbid practices, which are rapidly undermining his physical system.

Who Says It?—Everybody says it—

that the Blue Post sets the best lunch in the city, from 11 a. m. to four p. m. every day. Bushell—as his name indicates—believes in good measure, too, which is another recommendation.

The report that Sir Stafford Northcote had

been drowned through the loss of H. M. S. Deerhound had, it seems, not the least foundation in fact. The Deerhound arrived at Malta on the 14th ult, and letters have been received from Sir Stafford Northcote, who is safe and well in Paris.

COLLECTORS for the rebuilding of Christ

Church Cathedral have been commenced simultaneously in England and Ireland. The Bank of British North America has subscribed £100 towards the subject.

AUCTION SALE.—J. P. Davies & Co, at 11

o'clock this morning, will hold an important sale of sugars, rice, ale and porter, spices, dried fruits, and assorted merchandise, on a liberal credit.

The Librarian of the Mechanic's Institute

requests the return of all magazines and papers which may be in the possession of subscribers, as the same are required for binding.

MISSING.—One week's letters and papers

from Europe are missing. They are supposed to have gone via Portland, and should come over by the Olympia on Monday night.

A RECEIVER.—Cornelius Francis alias

Frenchy is in custody on a charge of receiving stolen goods.

The brig Byzantium, Calhoun, was loading

at Honolulu, S. I., for Victoria, on the 15th Dec.

THANKS.—To Mr. Emerson, Purser of the

California and Mr. Connor, W. F. & Co's agent for usual courtesies.

The report that Polly Lee had been killed

at Honolulu by a fall from a tightrope was a hoax.

The California brought up anchors and

chains for the bark Ruby.

CHANGED.—The time of the sailing of the

California to Sunday morning at 7 o'clock.

DELAYED DISPATCHES.

Europe.

VIENNA, January 13.—A majority of the Austrian Cabinet advocate a close union between all the States of the Empire; while a minority would confine the confederation to the large States, and urged liberal reforms. This division of opinion may soon lead to important changes in the constitution of the Ministry.

LONDON, Jan 13.—The famous Star Theatre

in Richmond was destroyed by fire last night. Its manager lost his life.

MADRID, January 13.—In the Cortes to-day,

Gen. Prim made a long speech explaining the causes of the present crisis. The Republicans introduced a resolution expressing dissatisfaction with his conduct. Within a few days 1000 men had sailed for Cuba.

LONDON, January 12.—Mr. James Frazier,

who was formerly sent to America as a Commissioner to examine the Common School system of the United States, has been appointed Bishop of Manchester.

A CHANCE FOR BARGAINS IN CLOTHING.—

A. Gilmore, Yates street, near Government, has commenced to sell off his entire stock of readymade clothing at cost, to close out that branch of his business, as he intends to confine his attention to MERCHANT TAILORING. Garments of every description made to order in the most fashionable styles at greatly reduced prices.

"The Great American Hobby Horse Annexation."

Such is the caption to a leading article in a recent issue of the *Oregonian*, which, for frank, outspoken honesty and sound common sense is not very often equalled in the newspaper literature of our neighbors, in the present day. It is an article well worthy the careful attention of more than one prominent statesman now at Washington, and it is by no means undeserving of general perusal. Here it is to speak for itself:—'There are fresh troubles in Mexico, and we suppose we shall be treated to the usual revival of annexation talk, and the spread-eagle harangues about "manifest destiny" and "this boundless continent is ours," etc. Annexation seems to be about the first thing that pops into an American's mind upon hearing of rebellion or trouble among our neighbors. For twenty years or more, we have had periodical attacks of annexation—annexation of Mexico, annexation of Cuba, annexation of Canada, Sandwich Islands, British Columbia, and Greenland's Ice Mountains.' It would not be at all a violent prediction to say that if, to-day, we should hear of a rebellion among the Feroe Islands, we should be able to read in about half the daily papers of to-morrow, articles in favor of annexing Terra del Fuego Island to United States as the best way of disposing of Terra del Fuego troubles, we should have a rebirth of the manifest destiny of Uncle Sam to become the owner of all the lands adjoining his farm, the spread of civilization, freedom and beneficent institutions, the advantages which the stalwart savages of the Cape Horn district would enjoy through social and political association with us, and, on the other hand, what an immense addition it would be to the commercial and maritime power of our government! We only had a perpetual iceberg of our own at which our merchantmen and vessels of war could land at pleasure and from which our hardy sailors before the mast could chip off lumps of American ice to cool the cobblers of the American nobles in the cabin.

At each fresh trouble in Mexico, our news-

papers and highbrow politicians have indulged in this sort of nonsense, as though they felt a necessity of periodically making fools and asses of themselves in order to keep in accord with the genius of Liberty at whose shrine have been laid more absurdities than were ever dedicated to the mythological head of the human 'Dæmophol' family, and as though the American people had a divine right to swoop down upon and gobble any land whose people might not be able at the moment to agree precisely upon the ethics of local government. These paroxysms of annexation always take our people just when the party of the other part are in poor condition through affliction or angry strife to defend their interests, and thus the manifestation bears the ugly appearance of an irresistible desire to steal something or to acquire property by such tricks of trade as are practiced by brigands who put a pistol's muzzle to your head and cry, 'stand and deliver.'

To judge by a sort of popular outcry we

have been a dozen times upon the point of swallowing Mexico, the grasslands and the Halls of the Montezumas included. Cuba, with her Spaniards, negroes and canebrakes, in one unassorted mass; Canada, her Parliament, nobility, lakes and St. Lawrence; the Sandwich Islands, kanakas, volcanoes and all; and all these without regard to possible digestive results. These things, ludicrous as they make us appear to foreign eyes, have also the effect, more than anything else, to create distrust, jealousy and fear of us among the smaller powers around, who have no awful-visaged mammas nor big brothers to stand between them and harm. Distrust generated by such means has more than once stood between us and advantageous transactions in eminent domain interests on both sides of both the great seas, and it would seem that nothing but the 'stupid conservatism' of our successive administrations of the latter day, has saved us from finding, upon our approach, each surrounding nation rolled up like a porcupine with defensive quills standing guard at every point to discourage intimacy and annexation.

There are two features of this habitual

talk of annexation which are particularly senseless. The first is the conclusion, reached instantly by a leap of infinite length, that whenever and wherever the people of a neighboring province manifest discontent with their government, they are therefore ready and anxious to be annexed at once to the United States, as though there could be no other possible connection or condition toward which to gravitate. This comes of national egotism—the manifestation of a national phenological bump, which is a good enough bump when not so extravagantly developed as to dwarf good sense. The other feature is the pouncing upon every bit of ground to annex it, which may seem to be in any sense in the general market, whether it be of any present or prospective value to the United States. The queries might with reason be put, what do we want with Mexico, with its heterogeneous, turbulent and ungovernable population? Would its eventual peaceable possession be worth the cost of reclaiming the country to civilization, christianity and peace? Questions of like import might be propounded with regard to other territory towards which American annexationists are constantly scampering off. But our American restlessness, impudence, and acquisitiveness, tinged unquestionably with a little reckless dishonesty and morbid appetite for sensation, shall be somewhat reformed, we do not know that we can expect anything of this class of which we have been talking, but that they will ride their hobby-horses, whether the race be to the devil or to some more desirable goal.

A SIMPLE CURE FOR BURNS.—In the former

scientific notes of Appleton's *Journal*—whereby the way, much that is new and interesting may be found—there is an accidental discovery of a simple but effectual cure for burns, by the use of varnish. A varnish of metals, in Paris, one day, got his hands badly burned, and in his agony thrust it into a pot of varnish at his side. To his astonishment the pain ceased, and the wound rapidly healed. This cure being reported around, persons in the neighborhood who had got burned came to the varnisher and were cured in like manner. The news circulated far and wide, and finally reached the medical faculty, and the varnisher was sent for to try his skill in the hospitals. He responded to the call, and with his varnish and brush has thus far succeeded in curing all on whom he has operated. The philosophy of the cure is very simple, the varnish covers the burned surface from the air, and gives nature a chance to supply a new skin under its protection. The quality of varnish must, of course, be attended to.

BUY IT AND TRY IT.—Russell's celebrated

coffee. The best on the Coast. Warranted a pure and healthful beverage.

REMEMBER THE FATE OF ABALOM.—Fred.

Paine, Tonsorial Artist. Shaving 12½ cents Hair Cutting 25cts, Shampooing 25cts. That original cheap Shaving Shop stands on the sunny side of Johnson street.

FELL'S COFFEE has become the favorite

Colonial beverage, and is to be found on every breakfast table from Victoria to the foot of a Rocky Mountains.

Mercury in its various forms, has filled the earth

with shattered wrecks of humanity. This pernicious and destructive drug has been the specific and male reliance of empires and kingdoms of past generations, and the present, for the cure of all classes of chronic and constitutional diseases. Dr. Walker's Vegetable Vinegar Bitters, a purely vegetable preparation, is not only a safe and harmless remedy, but a more certain cure for these diseases, and will effectually eradicate mercury and other pernicious minerals from the system.

HOLLOWAY'S OINTMENT AND PILLS.—With the changes

in the weather will come some trials to the constitution over which any one moderately observant may happily pass, provided Holloway's medicine be taken when the first symptoms of disordered action or depressed feelings indicate a departure from health. These mildly purgative yet powerful purifying Pills, are admirably adapted for literary persons, women, and children, and for all whose occupations mostly confine them to the house, whose appetite is generally poor, and whose digestion is slow and imperfect. The directions appearing on the exact dose for every invalid who may, with moderate attention, regain good health, and evidently point out to follow—sufferers how these remedies will be their best mode of cure and surest source of strength.

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Grocery Sale

THIS DAY

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SUGARS, RICE,

Ale & Porter, Spices,

Raisins in 4th & 8th

CIGARS, CURRANTS

Wax and other Matches,

And assorted Merchandise.

35 mats No 1 China Sugar

147 do China Rice 50lbs ea

2 cases Pickled Onions

9 kegs Oregon Dried Apples

1 bale Oregon Straw Paper

—bags Pimento and Cloves

4 cases Wax Vestas in Pookot Boxes

15 dble cases Elemo Pudding Raisins

50 hlf cases Zante Currants

20 cartons 1 bxs Layer Raisins

40 half do do do

Liverpool Salt, Lamp Chocolate

10 cases German Matches

50 doz Painted Buckets

Soap, Yeast Powders, Tobacco

Ten Thousand German Cigars

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40 casks McEwing Superior Ale

27 do Marriatt's Ale

1 bale Hemp Twine

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RUM—Jamaica, 30 per cent O. P.

GENEVA—J. D. K. Z, red & green cs.

OLD TOM—Swaine Boord's, in case

WHISKEY—The celebrated Dunlop's

Mountain Dew

SHERRIES—Fine and very superior, in

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 AUCTIONEER, COMMISSION &
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Tumblers, Vases, Prints, Albums, Shoe

and Scrub Brushes, Blacking, Wax &

German Matches, Crockery, Clocks,

Etc., Etc., Etc.

LUMLEY FRANKLIN,

Auctioneer.

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